TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 962 - SB 1127

April 13, 2009

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (006242): Authorizes individuals licensed to carry a handgun to carry the firearm into a restaurant that is open to the public and serves alcoholic beverages if the individual does not consume alcoholic beverages. A restaurant is defined as an establishment that serves at least one meal a day five days a week except for holidays and vacations and the serving of meals is the principal business conducted.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Decrease Local Revenue – Not Significant Decrease Local Expenditures – Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Currently, possession of a firearm in such establishments is punishable as a Class A misdemeanor.
- There will not be a sufficient decrease in the number of prosecutions for local governments to experience a significant decrease in revenue or expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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